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SUBJECT: EA ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB CONSULTATIONS WITH
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1. QUAI ACTING DIRECTOR FOR ASIA BOLLE, SAID THAT JEAN NOIVILLE HAD CALLED ON QUAI SECRETARY GENERAL COURCEL JULY 17 AND HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO TAKE UP HIS POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF ASIA AND OCEANIA AFFAIRS JULY 18. BOLLE SAID HE HAD JUST BEEN CALLED IN BY QUAI DIRECTOR FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS LABOULAYE TO BE TOLD THAT CONTRARY TO THEIR EXPECTATIONS, NOIVILLE WOULD NOT BECOME DIRECTOR. BOLLE WAS REQUESTED TO RETURN TO HIS POST OF ACTING DIRECTOR ON AUGUST 20 FOLLOWING ONE MONTH'S LEAVE RATHER THAN CONTINUING LEAVE IN EXPECTATION OF AN AMBASSADORIAL POSITION. BOLLE SAID THAT IT MIGHT BE SEVERAL MONTHS BEFORE THERE WOULD BE A NEW ASIAN DIRECTOR. IF U.S. WISHED TO CONTINUE TO SCHEDULE FRANCO-U.S. CONSULTATIONS, IT SHOULD BE ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY MIGHT WELL BE WITH BOLLE AS ACTING DIRECTOR. BOLLE NOTED THAT THERE WERE A NUMBER OF ASIAN PROBLEMS WHICH IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO DISCUSS, PARTICULARLY SINCE SOME WOULD ARISE IN THE UNGA. FRENCH WOULD DEFER TO U.S., HOWEVER, ABOUT DESIRABILITY OF MAINTAINING EARLY SEPTEMBER DATE FOR CONSULTATIONS.

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2. BOLLE DID NOT GIVE A CLEAR EXPLANATION FOR THE
CHANGE IN PLANS; HE MERELY MENTIONED THAT NOIVILLE'S
GRADE WAS BELOW BOLLE'S.
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